

CANCERVAX CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HALE DAVID F**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2110 RUTHERFORD ROAD

(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CANCERVAX CORP [CNVX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**03/20/2006**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**President and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 03/20/2006                           |  | A                              |   | 42,702  | A  | \$ 0                              |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 4,544   | I  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 231,553   | I  |                                   |

By Family Trust <sup>(1)</sup>  
By Family Trust <sup>(2)</sup>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 2.87  | 03/20/2006                           |  | A                              | 100,000   | 04/20/2006 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/19/2016                     | Common Stock 100,000  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| HALE DAVID F<br>2110 RUTHERFORD ROAD<br>CARLSBAD, CA 92008 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William R. LaRue  
Attorney-in-fact 03/22/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

By Michael T. Hale Trust dated December 26, 1991 for the benefit of Shane Hale, Tara Hale, Erin Hale and David Garrett Hale. The

(1) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(2) By Hale Family Trust dated February 10, 1986.

(3) 1/48 vest monthly beginning on 04/20/2006

(4) Not applicable to this transaction.

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